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El Nacional reported today that three MVR moderate deputies resigned from the party today with plans to register their own. The deputies included Ernesto Alvarenga, Jose Luis Farias, and Alejandro Armas, and thus reduces the government's majority to four votes. Alvarenga in making the announcement cast doubt on the government's willingness to dialogue in earnest and bemoaned the fact that Rangel and Cabello had roles as mediators in talks.

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